Executive Proclamation
State of South Dakota
Office of the Governor

Whereas, Donald and Marlys Larson exchanged their wedding vows on July 18, 1954, in Arlington, South Dakota, at the Trinity Lutheran Church promising to share their lives and love together for the rest of their days; and,

Whereas, Donald and Marlys settled in Arlington, where they gave life and love to four children, Stephanie, Kimberly, Philip and Candice, and they in turn presented them with seven grandchildren and one great-grandchild; and,

Whereas, The newly-wed couple of 50 years ago has been replaced by two devoted partners who have shared life's beauty and sorrow, and have grown to love one another more because of their common journey; and,

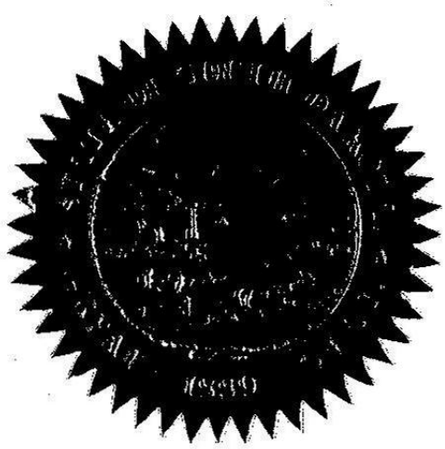
Whereas, Through their lifelong dedication to the values of caring and sharing, Donald and Marlys have helped make South Dakota a great place to live and work; and,

Whereas, It is altogether fitting and proper that the Governor of South Dakota recognizes and commemorates the memorable milestones in the lives of the state's outstanding citizens:

Now, Therefore, I, M. Michael Rounds, Governor of the state of South Dakota, do hereby proclaim July 18, 2004, as

DONALD AND MARLYS LARSON DAY

in South Dakota, and I join with the honored couple's family and friends in wishing them continued health and happiness in a state that stands prouder today because of their contributions and commitment.



In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the state of South Dakota, in Pierre, the Capital City, this Eighth Day of July in the Year of Our Lord, Two Thousand and Four.

M. Michael Rounds, Governor

Attest:

Chris Nelson, Secretary of State